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**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Franzen et al.

Group Art Unit: 1634

**Serial No.: 10/759,496**

Examiner: Sisson, Bradley L.

Filed: January 16, 2004

Docket No.: 297/178/2

Confirmation No.: 7690

For: PHOTOTHERMAL DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID HYBRIDIZATION

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**AMENDMENT A**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the Official Action dated July 26, 2006, for which a shortened statutory period for reply expired on October 26, 2006. A Petition for a 2-month Extension of Time is hereby requested extending the time for response up to and including December 26, 2006. A check in the amount of \$500.00 (representing the \$450.00 Large Entity Extension of Time fee and the \$50.00 additional claim fee) is enclosed. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

**AMENDMENT**

Please amend the subject application as follows:

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